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AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

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SUBJ: FMG REQUISITION OF EMBASSY ANNEX

AF/W FOR AMBASSADOR EASUM

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PASS AID, FAS, FAA/USDA

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1. IN VIEW BRIGADIER OBASANJO'S NEW POSITION AS CHIEF OF STAFF SUPREME HEADQUARTERS AND STRONG, IMPATIENT STANCE HE TOOK ON EMBASSY ANNEX QUESTION IN JUNE, WE PLAN TO COMMENCE PHYSICAL MOVEMENT OF AID OFFICES FROM MOLONEY STREET TO ELSIE FEMI PEARSE JULY 31. WE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT RUSH TO COMPLETE MOVE, HOWEVER, AS RENT-FREE ISSUE REMAINS TO BE SETTLED.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION, OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT MEA PERMSEC IYALLA CRITICIZED OBASANJO'S HANDLING OF MOLONEY QUESTION AND GOT PRESSURE APPLIED TO FORCE HIM TO WITHDRAW TROOPS COULD COMBINE WITH IYALLA'S TRUSTED RELATIONSHIP WITH
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GOWON TO BLOCK HIS RETURN AS MEA PERMSEC. AS IYALLA HAS

PERSONALLY BEEN HANDLING THE OKOTIE-EBOH RENT-FREE ISSUE,
WE WOULD IN SUCH CASE HAVE TO TAKE ADDITIONAL ACTION TO
GET THE MATTER BACK ON THE RAILS, PERHAPS BY DISCUSSION WITH
DEPUTY PERMSEC DOVE-EDWIN OR BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE. WE WILL
NATURALLY BE FOLLOWING IYALLA'S FATE AND THIS GENERAL
QUESTION CLOSELY.
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